

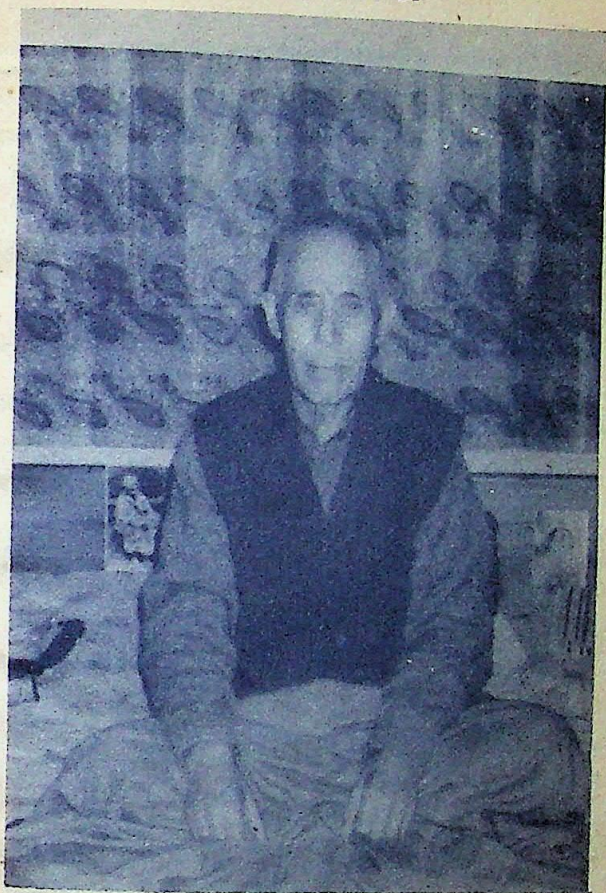
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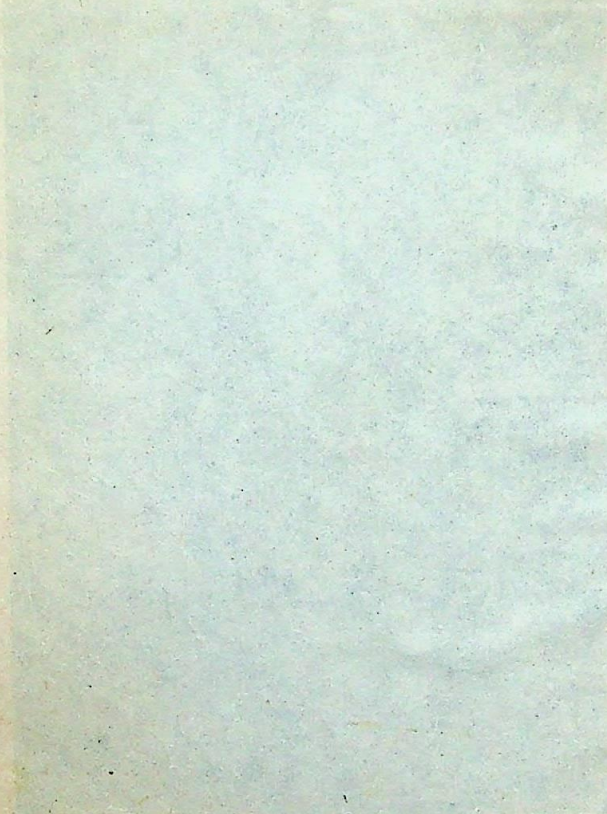


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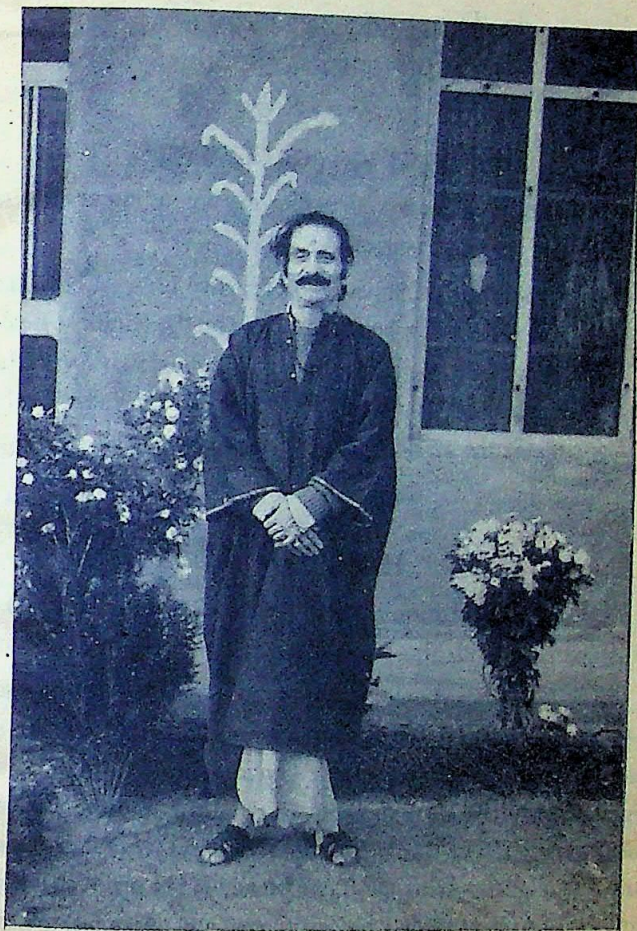
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THE PATH OF GRACE



SWAMI SVAYAMANANDA JI

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# ओं नमो मङ्गलमूर्तये

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नमः शिवाय सततं पञ्चकृत्यविद्यायिने  
चिदानन्दघनस्वात्मपरमाथविभासिने  
शांकरोपनिषूत्सार प्रत्यभिज्ञामहोदधेः  
क्षेमेणोद्ध्रियत सारः संसार विषान्तये

OM : Adoration to one who is the very embodiment of bliss and Auspiciousness.

“Adoration to Shiva who eternally brings about the fine processes who makes manifest the Highest Reality which is the same time the Highest value viz. His Self (which is also the Real Self of each individual) that is the mass of consciousness and Bliss”.

.....OM .....

## HARI OM

Brief description of Shri Swami Svayamananda Ji -  
My experience with him, inspired me to write the path of action.

I have been bestowed with deep sense of gratitude after getting the approval and permission from Swami Svayamananda Ji in putting forth my general conception of this greatly enlightened soul. Besides the above I dare to quote the blessed discussions between Swami Laxman Ji of Ishbar Nishat, Srinagar and Swami Svayamananda Ji, which had taken place at Ishbar on 27th of August 1989. I feel privileged and honoured to have been allowed by Swami Svayamananda Ji to reproduce the above said extract of the meeting between the two spiritual giants, from the diary maintained by him.

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## GLIMPSES OF SWAMI SVAYAMANANDA JI

1. Swami Svayamananda Ji is the soul of all beings. He is cosmic spirit, self luminous Truth - Brahman - Supreme guide and goal.
2. Swami Ji's prime aim of life is realization of self - to realize God is the ultimate destiny of man. The human form has not been granted for the purpose of amassing wealth or procreation, but for the attainment of a stage where God shall reveal HIMSELF unto him while leading the life divine - as a house holder - the true example being that of Swami Svayamananda Ji.
3. One should not crave for more accumulation of wealth when one is bestowed with sufficient for the needs of family.
4. There is a continuous suffering for the individual till one merges with the "DIVINE".
5. The Highest Bakhti is to love this enlightened soul in the worldly form of Swami Svayamananda Ji. With showing of such pure love and esteem for Swami Ji, one's needs get automatically fulfilled. Contentment and Divine Love shall be inculcated to the individual by participating in the holy pooja ceremony performed by Swami Ji every day in the mornings. He showers Ashirwads to his devotees after the pooja ceremony which gives peace and tranquility to the participants. It is his "DIVINE PRASADA".

## SWAMI JI'S sayings to his followers:

1. He alone attains HIM, who lives by HIS WILL.
2. He alone can attain peace - 'SHANTI' - who abandons ego and is humble by nature.
3. He alone can be guided by the Divine WILL who has discarded the self will.
4. He alone shall find HIS GRACE who develops pure love for HIM.
5. One who desires nothing, the Divine Mother bestows everything.
6. The Goal in life of Swami Ji is to see THE ONE IN ALL BEINGS. He feels duality is a sin.
7. Performing pious deeds without expectation of any reward is the only right way of service. Considering oneself as merely a tool in Lord's hands is Divine. "Remember' the Actor, the action and the Motive Force behind action All the three are HE."
8. Cast off attachment for wealth, property, relations and fame. Freedom from these four attachments earns liberation. These four attachments are poisonous pills which are sugar coated, appearing pleasant in the beginning, ultimately kills us.
9. Be vegetarian, cruelty to animals begets untold suffering.

Swami Svayamananda Ji's other teachings, which he himself has followed and has confidently put his thoughts and deeds in the mould of pious thoughts and actions are as follows:-



*Whosoever seeking God realization is in his company, Swami Ji transfers the Yogic rays to transform the basic personality of seeker of truth. His tech-ings.....*

- (i) Forgive and forget to get permanent peace.
- (ii) Sincerely comes with clear mind and speech.
- (iii) Kindness is a boon. One should shower this to all creatures created by the Lord.
- (iv) Contentment about that what you possess brings untold joy.
- (v) Truth is like a weapon to a soldier which takes you near Divinity.

The practice and cultivation of these five fold virtues leads to the control and purification of mind. Then peace sprouts from within.

Swami Ji follows Gita Ji in letter and spirit. He firmly believes in following Gita Ji's teachings which Swami Ji also advocates, for instance:-

- 1) Karam Yoga (Path of action)
- 2) Gyana Yoga (Path of knowledge)

The path of action leads to path of knowledge, it is means to an end. The path of knowledge consequently raises the mental and spiritual horizon of an aspirant, who is blessed with the effulgence absolute.

### **IMPORTANT EVENT IN SWAMI SVAYAMĀNANDA'S LIFE — AN EXTRACT FROM HIS DIARY.**

It was Wednesday, the 23rd of August, 1989, when Ishwar Swaroop Swami Laxmanji Maharaj of Ishbar Nishat had

visited the house of Swami Svayamananda Ji at Ganpatyar (Ganesh Ghat) Srinagar. The meeting which consequently followed was a historic one and which is peined down by Swami Svayamananda Ji himself in his diary, the extract of which pertaining to this meeting is reproduced herewith as follows:-

“Swami Laxmanji Maharaj visited my residence at 63/1 Ganesh Ghat uninvitedly, when I was away to Kuthar range area for yearly (Annual) collections. He was accompanied by a few disciples to my residence in the early hours of 23rd August, 1989 and was received by Benji and Veena Ji who were working on Agnawatri in the room, Swami Ji sat on my Assan and asked them to send me messge at once through Chander Mohan that Swami Ji is awaiting me on Sunday the 27th August at his Ashram (Ishbar Nishat) in the early hours of morning. Chander Mohan was called on phone from HMT by Benji who obeyed her and searched me out at Utrassu and accordingly conveyed me the message of Swami Ji.

On 26th August I cut-short the tour and returned to my residence alongwith my Secreatry and Driver at about 6 p.m.

On 27th August, Sunday, at 7.30 a.m. I alongwith Late Saligram Koul (Secretary), Shri Jagar Nath Koul and Sh. Gir-dhari Lal Thusu visited the residence-cum-Ashram of Swami Laxmanji. It was a rainy day, I saw Swami Ji in Kurta Pyjama, bare headed at the thresh-hold way to his temple awaiting me. I saluted him with folded hands, which he responded with a gaze and lovable smile. He guided me inside the temple all along besides the AMRAT SHIV LINGA and whispered me, that he was eagerly awaiting me, I bowed to him and he asked me to fit the ‘Baba cap’ on his head. I obeyed and fitted the cap on his bare head, put “Narivan” Band round his neck which I got for



him form Uma Nagri. He embraced me close to his chest. He in a low voice whispered to me, "we are one soul in two bodies." Later on he guided me to his residence alongwith my accomplices, we were served with tea. I was on "EKADASHI FAST" that day, so instead of bread, Swami Ji ordered Sharika Devi to offer me 'Gunhar Pudding' to which I took tastefully. Swami Laxmanji asked me to take more and said that the pudding has been prepared and served by Sharikaji (elder disciple). We had a very interesting chat with each other and Swami Ji gave me many inklings to which I answered. I requested Swami Ji not to make haste and prayed to him to remain for some years more to bless me for the service of humanity. He cheered when I asked that why Vivekananda only was blessed by his Guru not by others? He answered that Vivekananda was born as an awakened soul. This too was an inkling (hint). It was first time, since I know him that I found Swami Ji so much open hearted and joyful. It is not un-necessary to mention here that we both went in trance for a few minutes when we sat for tea side by side. It will take time to hatch the shell. Let us wait.

On 27th September, 1991 after two years and a month on the same day Swami Ji left for his heavenly abode of Param Shanti.

### **"SHELL HAS BEEN HATCHED"**

**OM SHANTI      OM SHANTI      OM SHANTI**

This has shown to we people the path of love towards Divine, which was the same goal to both. As per his mention "we are one in one soul in two bodies".

All the powers of Divine were shining by their own light i.e. (self/ truth/ Luminous truth), in both of them, Brahmi Shakhti and the creative force of existence, the Brahmi Shakhti as Shiva pervades the entire region between the earth and sky.

### **An appeal with folded hands**

The Divine work which remained unfinished by Swami Laxmanji Maharaj has to be pursued by Swami Svayamananda Ji.

We are hopeful that Swami Svayamananda Ji will shower Divine blessings on the whole world, so that we will be able to see path of love everywhere. We are hopeful that Swami Svayamananda Ji will lead the Kashmir Shaivism by spreading ancient holy knowledge of Shaivism in deed, thought and practice.

I am at Swami Svayamananda Ji's pious feet.

**Bagwan - (A disciple)**



## ॐ नमो मङ्गलमूर्तये

नमः शिवाय सततं पञ्चकव्य विद्यायिने चिदानन्द धनस्वात्म  
परमार्थो विवयासिने शाकरोप निषत्सार प्रत्यमिज्ञामहोदधे क्षमेणो  
दप्रियते सार संसार विष शान्तये

ॐ उस मङ्गलमूर्ती को प्रणाम जो परमसुखमय तथा शक्ति का  
प्रतीक है मैं उस शिव की वन्दना करता हूँ जो नित्य पाँच महान  
तत्त्वों के निर्माता है जो प्रत्यक्ष सत्य एवं आत्मा ज्ञान के प्रतीक है  
उनका निजि स्वरूप कल्याणकारी तथा ज्ञान का सार है ।

हरि ॐ

श्री स्वामी स्वयमानन्द जी के सम्पर्क में  
मेरे व्यक्तिगत अनुभव

एक संक्षिप्त विवरण

यस्या प्रभावमातुलं नाल वक्तुं चतुर्मुखः  
सोमा भवतुसन्तुष्टा स्वयमानन्द दायिनी ।

मैं कृतज्ञ हूँ श्री गुरुवर स्वामी स्वयमानन्द जी का जिनके अनुमति  
से मुझे उन ज्योतिमय प्रकाशरूपी जीवन के विषय में अपना अनुभव  
व्यक्त करने का सुअवसर प्राप्त हुआ इसके अतिरिक्त मैं उस शुभ  
संवाद का उद्धरण करने का साहस करता हूँ जोकि ईश्वररूपी स्वामी  
लक्ष्मण जी तथा स्वामी स्वयमानन्द जी के मध्य 27 अगस्त को  
"इशबरी" में हुआ इन दो अध्यात्मिक अनुभूतियों के मध्य हुई  
चर्चा का उपरोक्त प्रसंग स्वामी स्वयमानन्द जी को दैननन्दिनी (डायरी)

से उद्धरण करने की आज्ञा को मैं अपने लिये अभूतपूर्व सम्मान मानता हूँ ।

### स्वामी स्वयमानन्द

1. परिचय स्वामी स्वयमानन्द समस्त प्राणियों के जीवात्मा है वह सृष्टि के अध्यात्मिक ज्ञान है वे प्रकाशमय सत्य है वे ब्रह्मा है वे सर्वश्रेष्ठ गुरु है वे स्वयं ही लक्ष्य तथा लक्ष्य प्राप्ति का साधन है ।
2. उनके जीवन का मुख्य उद्देश्य आत्मज्ञान की प्राप्ति है प्रभु को जानना ही प्राणी का अन्तिम लक्ष्य है मनुष्य जन्म व धन बटोरने के लिये तथा न भोग भोगने के लिये मिला है अपितु केवल आत्मज्ञान की प्राप्ति के लिए गृहस्थी होने पर भी वह अपना लक्ष्य प्राप्त कर सकता है जिसका प्रतीक स्वयं स्वयमानन्द जी है ।
3. मनुष्य को अधिक धन प्राप्ति की अभिलाषा नहीं होनी चाहिए पर उसे अपने निर्वाह के लिए प्रभु के दिए हुए पर ही सन्तुष्ट रहना चाहिए सन्तों की यह वाणी ही हर प्राणी का आदर्श होना चाहिए ।  
साँझ इतना दीजिये, जा में कुटुम्ब समाय ।  
मैं भी भूखा ना रहूँ साधु न भूखा जाए ॥
4. विपदा मनुष्य का पीछा तब तक नहीं छोड़ती जब तक वह प्रभु से आत्मसात नहीं होता अर्थात् मोक्ष प्राप्त करता है ।
5. सर्वश्रेष्ठ भक्ति उस प्रकाशमय आत्मा के प्रति प्रेम है जो स्वामी स्वयमानन्द के रूप में इस धरती पर विद्यमान है



उनके प्रति श्रद्धा स्नेह एवं प्रेम होने पर स्वतः ही मनुष्य को आवश्यकता की पूर्ति होती है संतुष्टता तथा ईश्वर प्रेम मनुष्य मात्र में उसके सम्पर्क में रहने पर तथा उसकी दैनिक पूजा से सम्मिलित होने से प्राप्त हो सकता है पूजा के उपरान्त उनके दिये हुए आशीर्वाद से शान्ती श्रद्धा तथा सन्तोष का आभास होता है मनुष्य पूर्णतया शांती का अनुभव करता है यही उनका आध्यात्मिक प्रसाद है

1. अपने अनुयायियों के लिए स्वामी जी के कुछ प्रवचन ईश्वर केवल उसी को प्राप्त होता है जो उसकी ही इच्छानुसार चलता है
2. केवल वही शान्ती का पात्र है जो गर्वहीन तथा अहं का त्यागी हो साथ ही स्वभाव से विनम्र हो ।
3. कामनारहित पुरुष के लिए ही ईश्वर मार्ग प्रशस्त करता है ।
4. केवल वही उसकी कृपा का पात्र है जो उसके प्रति अपार प्रेम रखता है ।
5. इच्छारहित पुरुष को ही माँ शक्ति सर्वस्व अर्पण करती है ।
6. स्वामी जी सभी प्राणियों में उस परमब्रह्म के स्वरूप को देखना ही अपना लक्ष्य मानता है वह दुर्वैत भाव को पाप समझाते हैं
7. निष्काम भाव से किया हुआ पुण्य कर्म सच्ची सेवा का साधन है । अपने आप को प्रभु के हाथ का उपकरण

मानना ही ज्ञानी का लक्षण है । स्मरण रहे कि कर्ता कार्य तथा कारण, यह तीनों केवल वही एक प्रभु है

8. धन एवं सम्पत्ति की लालसा ख्याति की कामना तथा बन्धन के प्रति अनुराग यह चारों उन विषैली औषधियों के समान है जो स्वादिष्ट होने पर भी पतन का सूचक है।
9. "वैष्णव" रहो हिंसा क्लेश दायक हैं स्वामी जी के कुछ और उपदेश जिनका उन्होंने अपने जीवन में अनुसरण किया है ।

स्वामी जी के सम्पर्क में आकर जो कोई ईश्वर प्राप्ति के लिये प्रयत्नशील है स्वामी जी योगिक दृष्टि से उसके अस्तित्व में मूलभूत परिवर्तन के सूचक प्रमाणित होते हैं।

### उनके उपदेश निम्नलिखित है

1. सम्पूर्ण शान्ति के लिए क्षमा तथा दया का सिद्धान्त आचरण में लाओ ।
2. यथार्थता शुद्धमन तथा मधुरवाणी से प्राप्त होती है ।
3. दयाभाव एक अमूल्य वस्तु है प्रत्येक मनुष्य को हर प्राणी के प्रति यह भावना रखनी चाहिए ।
4. सन्तुष्ट रहने में असीम आनन्द है
5. सदाचार ही दिव्य शक्ति प्राप्त करने का पथ प्रदर्शित करता है, इन पाँच उपरोक्त गुणों के अभ्यास तथा उद्यम



से अन्ताकरण की शुद्धि प्राप्त होती है अन्ततः शांती का प्रादुर्भाव होता है स्वामीजी गीताजी का अनुसरण करते हुए इसका मनन चिन्तन एवं इसके नियमों के पालन करने पर बल देते हैं जैसे

## कर्मयोग-कर्म का मार्ग ज्ञान योग- ज्ञान का मार्ग

कर्म ज्ञान की प्राप्ति का साधन है यह लक्षण प्राप्ति का हेतु है ज्ञानमार्ग साधक के मानसिक एवं अध्यात्मिक क्षितिज को ऊँचा करता है और वह पूर्ण प्रकाश को प्राप्त होता है ।

### स्वामी जी के जीवन की एक महत्वपूर्ण घटना

उनकी दैननन्दिनी का एक प्रसंग यह 23 अगस्त, 1989 बुधवार का शुभ दिवस था । जब "निशांत इशबरी" के ईश्वरस्वरूप स्वामी जी महाराज स्वामी स्वयमानन्द जी के निवास स्थान गणेशघाट (गणपतयार) श्रीनगर गधारे इन दो सन्तों के मध्य हुई ऐतिहासिक भेंट का वर्णन स्वामी स्वयमानन्द जी ने अपनी दैननन्दिनी में अंकित किया है उस प्रसंग का पुर्नप्रकाश हम उनके ही शब्दों में प्रस्तुत करते हैं ।

स्वामी लक्ष्मण जी महाराज बिना किसी निमंत्रण के मेरे निवास स्थान 63/1 गणेशघाट श्रीनगर पधारे जब कि मैंने 'कुटहार' क्षेत्र (इलाके) उमानगरी के हवन सम्बन्धित वार्षिक भिक्षा के लिए प्रस्थान किया था वे 23 अगस्त, 1989 प्रातः अपने अन्य शिष्यों के साथ पधारे जहां उनका सम्मानपूर्वक आदर सत्कार बहनजी तथा वीणा जी ने किया जो उस समय अग्रवत्री के कार्य में व्यस्त थी ।

के रूप में ब्रह्माण्ड में व्याप्त है मेरी विनम्र विनती स्वामी लक्ष्मण जी द्वारा जो दिव्यकार्य अधूरा रह गया है वह स्वामी स्वयमानन्द द्वारा पूरा किया जाये ।

हमारी पूर्ण आशा है कि स्वामी स्वयमानन्द जी अपने शुभ आशीष से विश्व को अनुग्रहीत करे ताकि हम सब और प्रेमधारा बहती देख सके ।

हमारी परम अभिलाषा है कि स्वामी स्वयमानन्द जी कश्मीर शिवमत के प्राचीन ज्ञान का चिन्तन एवं अभ्यास करवाकर इसे विकसित करके उन्नती के मार्ग पर अग्रसर करने की चेष्टा करेंगे ।

स्वामीजी के चरणकमलों  
में भगवान (शिष्य)

हिन्दी अनुवादक

- (i) प्रद्युम्न कृष्णकौल
  - (ii) श्रीमती किशनी कौल
- (शिष्य)



**IMPORTANT FUNCTIONS OF THE ASHRAM  
CELEBRATED BY DEVOTEES EVERY YEAR**

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| 1. Birth of Swami | : | Ashar Shukla Pakh |
| Svayamananda Ji   |   | (Kumar Sheshti).  |
| 2. Maha Yagna     | : | Badar Shukla Pakh |
|                   |   | (Ganga Ashtami)   |
| 3. Navratri Ist   | : | —                 |
| 4. Navratri II    | : | —                 |
| 5. Janam Ashtami  | : | —                 |

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